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SUBSTRATE TRANSPORT APPARATUS, POD AND METHOD

VERIFICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I, Shintaro Hotta declare and say:

that I am thoroughly conversant in both the Japanese and English languages;

that I am presently engaged as a translator in these languages;

that the attached document represents a true and accurate English translation of the application entitled SUBSTRATE TRANSPORT APPARATUS, POD AND METHOD, Serial No. 10/000,304.

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Signed this 12th day of March, 2002.

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